Advice for Young Students of Knowledge[1]

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In the course of advising young students of knowledge, the *Muḥaddith* of this era, Muḥammad Nāsir al-Dīn al-Albānī (رحمه الله), stated:

> And therefore, I always advise our brothers who are beginners in this science (i.e. *al-Hadith*) not to be hasty in spreading their researches and writings; rather, they should put them away for safekeeping until they have matured.
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> And truth be told, from the trials of this era is love of fame and placing oneself in the group of authors, especially in the science of *al-Hadith*, whose virtue the people have recently recognized after neglecting it for ages; however, they have not appreciated its true value. They mistakenly believed that simply because a person has the ability to reference different sources and cite them that he has the ability to write commentaries and author books. We ask Allāh ﷻ for safety from vanity and self-amazement.

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[1] See *al-Silsilah al-Ḍaʿīfah* (11/697)